

August 19, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler Commissioner Mignon Clyburn Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel Commissioner Ajit Pai Commissioner Michael O'Rielly Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

On behalf of the ASPIRA Association, Inc., ASPIRA of Florida, Inc., ASPIRA of New Jersey, Inc., ASPIRA of New York, Inc., and ASPIRA of Pennsylvania, Inc., non-profit organizations dedicated exclusively to the education and development of low-income Latino youth, we write to express our full support of the proposed acquisition of Time Warner Cable by Comcast. The ASPIRA Association, ASPIRA of Florida, Inc., and ASPIRA of Pennsylvania, have a long history and working relationship with Comcast at a national and at statewide levels. ASPIRA of New York and ASPIRA of New Jersey have an equally long-standing relationship with Time Warner Cable. We believe that the combined companies will result in significant benefits for our community, especially in advancing the educational and leadership capabilities of the Latino youth we serve, by further bridging the digital divide. Specifically, the expansion of the Internet Essentials program to the Time Warner footprint, and the deployment of the fastest and most advanced networks in the country in these states, will greatly benefit low-income Latino youth and families that still lack access to affordable broadband.

For several years, ASPIRA has been a national partner with Comcast on a variety of initiatives, but is most proud of its long-standing partnership with Comcast on its Internet Essentials program that provides low cost broadband Internet access and low-cost computers to low income families. Internet Essentials has made great strides in bringing internet access and digital literacy training to low-income children and families across the country, connecting more than 1.2 million individuals and distributing more than 23,000 computers at affordable prices. Through our partnership with Comcast, ASPIRA has been able to provide Internet access to hundreds of families served by ASPIRA, significantly enhancing their children's education and their overall quality of life. In schools and community centers across South Florida, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC, ASPIRA has actively participated in the program since its inception and has witnessed the benefit to families from Internet Essentials. As we continue to engage these communities and teach skills to thrive in this digital age in these states, we sincerely hope to be able to expand these programs to the families we serve in areas currently served by Time Warner Cable.

Comcast's support of the Latino community goes beyond Internet Essentials. Comcast has supported numerous local and national programs for youth in our communities, including a host of education initiatives, and ASPIRA's youth leadership development program, a testament to Comcast's commitment to communities as a responsible corporate citizen. This commitment will be extended to other areas of the country currently served by Time Warner Cable, broadening opportunities for youth and families. Finally, Comcast has a strong and long-

ease of Cu

standing commitment to diversity within the company, providing enormous opportunities for minorities and women at all levels to thrive.

We believe that Comcast's expanded footprint will foster much enhanced opportunities for education, employment, and quality of life in Latino communities. We urge you to take this into consideration in your approval process.

Sincerely,

Ronald Blackburn Moreno

President and CEO

ASPIRA Association, Inc.

Carlos Valentin President and CEO

ASPIRA of New Jersey, Inc.

Dr. Mark Gonzalez

George M. Cabrera

President and CEO

ASPIRA of Florida, Inc.

Chief Program and Development Officer

ASPIRA of New York, Inc.

MarkGonzalez

Alfredo Calderon **Executive Director**

ASPIRA of Pennsylvania, Inc.